

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Permit No.:

VA0091316

Effective Date:

November 2, 2009

**Expiration Date:** 

November 1, 2014

#### AUTHORIZATION TO DISCHARGE UNDER THE

#### VIRGINIA POLLUTION DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM

#### AND

#### THE VIRGINIA STATE WATER CONTROL LAW

In compliance with the provisions of the Clean Water Act as amended and pursuant to the State Water Control Law and regulations adopted pursuant thereto, the following owner is authorized to discharge in accordance with the information submitted with the permit application, and with this permit cover page and, Parts I and II of this permit, as set forth herein.

Owner:

Middlesex County

Facility Name:

Middlesex Courthouse WWTP

City: County: Saluda Middlesex

Facility Location:

Northern side of Rt. 33, 1/4 mile east of Courthouse Dr.

The owner is authorized to discharge to the following receiving stream:

Stream:

Unnamed Tributary to Urbanna Creek

River Basin:

Rappahannock River

River Subbasin: Section:

N/A 2

Class:

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Special Standards:

None

Deputy Regional Director, Piedmont Regional Office

02 NOVEMBER 2009

# PERMITTEE NAME/ADDRESS(INCLUDE FACILITY NAME/LOCATION IF DIFFERENT)

PO Box 428

Saluda

Middlesex Courthouse

VA

23149

NAME

**ADDRESS** 

**FACILITY** 

**LOCATION** 

# COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM(NPDES)
DISCHARGE MONITORING REPORT(DMR)

VA0091316 001

PERMIT NUMBER DISCHARGE NUMBER

MONITORING PERIOD

YEAR MO DAY
TO YEAR MO DAY
TO

Municipal Minor 10/30/2009

DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (REGIONAL OFFICE)

Piedmont Regional Office 4949-A Cox Road

Glen Allen VA 23060

NOTE: READ PERMIT AND GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM.

PARAMETER		QUANTITY OR LOADING			QUALITY OR CONCENTRATION				NO.	FREQUENCY	SAMPLE
		AVERAGE	MAXIMUM	UNITS	MINIMUM	AVERAGE	MAXIMUM	UNITS	EX.	ANALYSIS	TYPE
001 FLOW	REPORTD				*****	*****	******				
	REQRMNT	NL	NL	MGD	*****	*****	*****			1/DAY	EST
002 PH	REPORTD	*****	******			*****					
	REQRMNT	*****	*****		6.0	*****	9.0	SU		1/DAY	GRAB
004 TSS	REPORTD				******						
	REQRMNT	1500	2300	G/D	*****	10	15	MG/L		1/M	GRAB
006 COLIFORM, FECAL	REPORTD	******	******		*****						
	REQRMNT	*****	*****		*****	200	NL	N/CML		2/M	GRAB
007 DO	REPORTD	******	******			*****	*****				
	REQRMNT	*****	*****		5.0	*****	*****	MG/L		1/DAY	GRAB
068 TKN (N-KJEL)	REPORTD				*****						
	REQRMNT	450	680	G/D	*****	3.0	4.5	MG/L		1/M	GRAB
120 E.COLI	REPORTD	*****	******		*****						
	REQRMNT	*****	******		*****	126	NL	N/CML		1/W	GRAB
159 CBOD5	REPORTD				*****						
	REQRMNT	1500	2300	G/D	*****	10	15	MG/L		1/M	GRAB

ADDITIONAL PERMIT REQUIREMENTS OR COMMENTS

BYPASSES AND	TOTAL OCCURRENCES	TOTAL FLOW(M.G.)	TOTAL BOD5(K.G.)	OPERAT		DATE			
OVERFLOWS									
		THIS DOCUMENT AND ALI		TYPED OR PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE	CERTIFICATE NO.	YEAR	MO.	DAY
DESIGNED TO ASSURE THAT QUALIFIED PERSONNEL PROPERLY GATHER AND EVALUATE				PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFF	TELEPHONE				
THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED. BASED ON MY INQUIRY OF THE PERSON OR PERSONS WHO MANAGE THE SYSTEM OR THOSE PERSONS DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR GATHERING THE INFORMATION, THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED IS TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE									
AND BELIEF TRUE, ACCURATE AND COMPLETE. I AM AWARE THAT THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT PENALTIES FOR SUBMITTING FALSE INFORMATION, INCLUDING THE POSSIBILITY OF FINE AND IMPRISONMENT FOR KNOWING VIOLATIONS.				TYPED OR PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE		YEAR	MO.	DAY

This report is required by your VPDES permit and by law. (See, e.g., the Code of Virginia of 1950 §62.1-44.5 and 9 VAC 25-31-50.) Failure to report or failure to report truthfully can result in civil penalties of \$32,500 per violation, per day and felony prosecutions which can carry a 15 year term.

## DISCHARGE MONITORING REPORT (DMR) - GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Complete this form in permanent ink or indelible pencil. The use of 'correction fluid/tape' is not allowed.
- 2. Be sure to enter the dates for the first and last day of the period covered by the report on the form in the space marked "Monitoring Period".
- 3. For those parameters where the "permit requirement" spaces have a requirement or limitation, provide data in the "reported" spaces in accordance with your permit.
- 4. Enter the average and maximum quantities and units in the "reported" spaces in the columns marked "Quantity or Loading". KG/DAY = Concentration (mg/L) x Flow (MGD) x 3.785 G/D (Grams/Day) = Concentration (mg/L) x Flow (MGD) x 0.003785
- 5. Enter maximum, minimum, and/or average concentrations and units in the "reported" spaces in the columns marked "Quality or Concentration".
- 6. For all parameters enter the number of samples which do not comply with the maximum and/or minimum permit requirements in the "reported" space in the column marked "No. Ex." (Number of Exceedances). If none, enter "0". Do NOT include monthly average violations in this field. Include any Maximum 7-Day Average and Maximum Weekly Average violations in this field. Permittees with continuous pH, or temperature monitoring requirements should consult the permit for what constitutes an exceedance and report accordingly.
- 7. You are required to sample (at a minimum) according to the Sample Frequencies and Sample Types specified in your permit.
- 8. Enter the actual frequency of analysis for each parameter (number of times per day, week, month, etc.) in the "reported" space in the column marked "Frequency of Analysis".
- 9. Enter the actual type of sample (Grab, 8HC, 24HC, etc) collected for each parameter in the "reported" space in the column marked "Sample Type".
- 10. Enter additional required data or comments in the space marked "additional permit requirements or comments". If additional required data or comments are appended to the DMR, reference appended correspondence in this field.
- 11. Record the number of bypasses during the month, the total flow in million gallons (MG) and BOD5 in kilograms (KG) in the proper columns in the section marked "Bypasses and Overflows".
- 12. The operator in responsible charge of the facility should review the form and sign in the space provided. If the plant is required to have a licensed operator or if the operator in responsible charge of the facility is a licensed operator, the operator's signature and certificate number must be reported in the spaces provided.
- 13. The principal executive officer then reviews the form and must sign in the space provided and provide a telephone number where he/she can be reached. Every page of the DMR must have an original signature.
- 14. Send the completed form(s) with original signatures to your Department of Environmental Quality Regional Office by the 10th of each month unless otherwise specified in the permit.
- 15. You are required to retain a copy of the report for your records.
- 16. Where violations of permit requirements are reported, attach a brief explanation in accordance with the permit requirements decribing causes and corrective actions taken. Reference each seperate violation by date.
- 17. If you have any questions, contact the Department of Environmental Quality Regional Office listed on the DMR.

#### Limitations and Monitoring Requirements A.

During the period beginning with the permit's effective date and lasting until the permit's expiration date, the permittee is authorized to discharge from Outfall 001.

1. This discharge shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

	DISCHARGE LIMITATIONS						MONITORING REQUIREMENTS		
EFFLUENT CHARACTERISTICS	MONTHLY AVERAGE		WEEKLY AVERAGE		MINIMUM	MAXIMUM	FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE	
Flow (MGD) (a)	NL		NA		NA	NL	1/Day	Estimate	
pH (standard units)	NA		NA		6.0	9.0	1/Day	Grab	
cBOD <sub>5</sub> (b)	10 mg/L	1500 g/d	15 mg/L 2300 g/d		NA	NA	1/Month	Grab	
Total Suspended Solids (TSS) (b)	10 mg/L	1500 g/d	15 mg/L	2300 g/d	NA	NA	1/Month	Grab	
Dissolved Oxygen (DO)	NA		NA		5.0 mg/L	NA	1/Day	Grab	
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (TKN) (b)	3.0 mg/L	450 g/d	4.5 mg/L	680 g/d	NA	NA	1/Month	Grab	
Fecal Coliform	200 N / 100 mL		NA		NA	NL	2/Month (between 10 am and 4 pm)	Grab	
E.Coli	126 N / 100 mL (Geometric Mean)		NA		NA	NL	1/Week (between 10am and 4pm)	Grab	

<sup>&</sup>quot;NL" means no limitation is established. Monitoring and reporting however, are required.

- (a) The design flow of this treatment facility is 0.0399 MGD (39,900 gpd). See Part I.B.1 for additional flow requirements.(b) These limitations are expressed in two significant digits.
- 2. There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.
- 3. Effluent samples shall be taken at Outfall 001.
- 4. At least 85% removal for TSS and cBOD<sub>5</sub> must be attained for this effluent.
- 5. Monitoring and reporting are not required until commencement of this discharge. See Part I.B.13 for notification requirement.

<sup>&</sup>quot;NA" means not applicable.

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## B. Other Requirements or Special Conditions

- 1. 95% Capacity Reopener: A written notice and a plan of action for ensuring continued compliance with the terms of this permit shall be submitted to the DEQ, Piedmont Regional Office when the monthly average flow influent to the sewage treatment works reaches 95 percent of the design capacity authorized in this permit for each month of any three consecutive month period. The written notice shall be submitted within 30 days and the plan of action shall be received at the Piedmont Regional Office no later than 90 days from the third consecutive month for which the flow reached 95 percent of the design capacity. The plan shall include the necessary steps and a prompt schedule of implementation for controlling any current or reasonably anticipated problem resulting from high influent flows. Failure to submit an adequate plan in a timely manner shall be deemed a violation of the permit.
- 2. Operations and Maintenance Manual Requirement: The permittee shall develop an Operations and Maintenance (O & M) Manual for the treatment works. This manual shall detail the practices and procedures which will be followed to ensure compliance with the requirements of this permit. The manual shall be submitted to the DEQ Regional Office for approval within 90 days of completion of construction. The permittee shall operate the treatment works in accordance with the approved O & M Manual. This manual shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following items, as appropriate:
  - Techniques to be employed in the collection, preservation, and analysis of effluent samples;
  - Procedures for measuring and recording the duration and volume of treated wastewater discharged;
  - c. Discussion of Best Management Practices, if applicable;
  - d. Procedures for handling, storing, and disposing of all wastes, fluids, and pollutants characterized in Part I.C.8 that will prevent these materials from reaching state waters;
  - e. Treatment works design, treatment works operation, routine preventative maintenance of units within the treatment works, critical spare parts inventory and record keeping; and
  - f. A sludge/ solids disposal plan.

Any changes in the practices and procedures followed by the permittee shall be documented and submitted for staff approval within 90 days of the effective date of the changes. Upon approval of the submitted manual changes, the revised manual becomes an enforceable part of the permit. Noncompliance with the O & M Manual shall be deemed a violation of the permit.

- 3. Licensed Operator Requirement: The permittee shall employ or contract at least one Class IV licensed wastewater works operator for this facility. The license shall be issued in accordance with Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia and the regulations of the Board for Waterworks and Wastewater Works Operators. The permittee shall notify the Department in writing whenever he is not complying, or has grounds for anticipating he will not comply with this requirement. The notification shall include a statement of reasons and a prompt schedule for achieving compliance.
- 4. **Reliability Class**: The permitted treatment works shall meet Reliability Class I.
- 5. Sludge Use and Disposal: The permittee shall, within 120 days of the completion of construction of this facility submit for DEQ approval a Sludge Management Plan (SMP). The SMP shall include information on sewage sludge and biosolids sampling and testing, operational testing and control and recordkeeping necessary to document the quality and proper use and disposal of sewage sludge and biosolids. The permittee shall conduct all biosolids use and disposal activities in accordance with the approved SMP, which becomes an enforceable part of the permit upon approval.

6. **Sludge Reopener**: The Board may promptly modify or revoke and reissue this permit if any applicable standard for sewage sludge use or disposal promulgated under Section 405(d) of the Clean Water Act is more stringent than any requirements for sludge use or disposal in this permit, or controls a pollutant or practice not limited in this permit.

## 7. Compliance Reporting:

a. Maximum quantification levels (QL's) shall be as follows:

Effluent Characteristic	Quantification Level
cBOD₅	5 mg/L
TSS	1.0 mg/L
Total Residual Chlorine	0.10 mg/L
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	0.50 mg/L

#### b. Reporting

Monthly Average -- Compliance with the monthly average limitations and/or reporting requirements for the parameters listed in a. above shall be determined as follows: All concentration data below the QL listed in a. above shall be treated as zero. All concentration data equal to or above the QL listed in a. above shall be treated as it is reported. An arithmetic average shall be calculated using all reported data for the month, including the defined zeros. This arithmetic average shall be reported on the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) as calculated. If all data are below the QL, then the average shall be reported as "<QL". If reporting for quantity is required on the DMR and the calculated concentration is "<QL", then report "<QL" for the quantity. Otherwise use the concentration data and flow data for each sample day to determine the daily quantity and report the average of the calculated daily quantities.

Weekly Average --Compliance with the weekly average limitations and/or reporting requirements for the parameters listed in a. above shall be determined as follows: All concentration data below the QL listed in a. above shall be treated as zero. All concentration data equal to or above the QL listed in a. above shall be treated as reported. An arithmetic average shall be calculated using all reported data, including the defined zeros, collected within each complete calendar week and entirely contained within the reporting month. The maximum value of the weekly averages thus determined shall be reported on the DMR. If all data are below the QL, then the average shall be reported as "<QL". If reporting for quantity is required on the DMR and the calculated concentration is "<QL", then report "<QL" for the quantity. Otherwise use the concentration data and flow data for each sample day to determine the daily quantity and report the average of the calculated daily quantities.

- c. Any single datum required shall be reported as "<QL" if it is less than the QL in section a. above. Otherwise the numerical value shall be reported.
- d. The permittee shall report at least the same number of significant digits as the permit limit for a given parameter. Regardless of the rounding convention used (i.e. 5 always rounding up or to the nearest even number) by the permittee, the permittee shall use the convention consistently and shall ensure that consulting laboratories employed by the permittee use the same convention.
- 8. **Materials Storage and Handling:** Any and all product, materials, industrial wastes, and/or other wastes resulting from the purchase, sale, mining, extraction, transport, preparation, and/or storage of raw or intermediate materials, final product, by-product or wastes, shall be handled, disposed of, and/or stored in such a manner so as not to permit a discharge of such product, materials, industrial wastes, and/or other wastes to State waters, except as expressly authorized.

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- 9. **Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Reopener**: This permit shall be modified or alternatively revoked and reissued if any approved wasteload allocation procedure, pursuant to Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act, imposes wasteload allocations, limits or conditions on the facility that are not consistent with the permit requirements.
- 10. Indirect Dischargers: The permittee shall provide adequate notice to the Department of the following:
  - Any new introduction of pollutants into the treatment works from an indirect discharger which would be subject to Section 301 or 306 of the Clean Water Act and the State Water Control Law if it were directly discharging those pollutants; and
  - b. Any substantial change in the volume or character of pollutants being introduced into the treatment works by a source introducing pollutants into the treatment works at the time of issuance of this permit.

Adequate notice shall include information on (i) the quality and quantity of effluent introduced into the treatment works, and (ii) any anticipated impact of the change on the quantity or quality of effluent to be discharged from the treatment works.

- 11. CTC, CTO Requirement: The permittee shall, in accordance with the DEQ Sewage Collection and Treatment Regulation (9VAC 25-790), obtain a Certificate to Construct (CTC), and a Certificate to Operate (CTO) from the DEQ prior to constructing wastewater treatment works and operating the treatment works, respectively. An application for a CTC shall be accompanied by notification that the County will issue necessary approvals and design data verifying that downstream capacity is available to adequately convey and treat the design flows in accordance with the Sewage Collection and Treatment Works, 9VAC 25-790-10 et seq. Non-compliance with the CTC or CTO shall be deemed a violation of the permit.
- 12. **Nutrient Reopener:** This permit may be modified or, alternatively, revoked and reissued to incorporate alternative nutrient limitations and/or monitoring requirements, should:
  - a. the State Water Control Board adopt new nutrient standards for the water body receiving the discharge, including the Chesapeake Bay or its tributaries, or
  - b. a future water quality regulation or statute require new or alternative nutrient control.

#### 13. Notification of Commencement of Discharge

No later than ten days prior to commencement of the discharge from the facility, the permittee shall submit written notification to the Piedmont Regional Office which provides the first day of discharge.

#### CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL VPDES PERMITS

#### A. Monitoring

- 1. Samples and measurements taken as required by this permit shall be representative of the monitored activity.
- 2. Monitoring shall be conducted according to procedures approved under Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 136 or alternative methods approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, unless other procedures have been specified in this permit.
- 3. The permittee shall periodically calibrate and perform maintenance procedures on all monitoring and analytical instrumentation at intervals that will insure accuracy of measurements.

#### B. Records

- 1. Records of monitoring information shall include:
  - a. The date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurements;
  - b. The individual(s) who performed the sampling or measurements;
  - c. The date(s) and time(s) analyses were performed;
  - d. The individual(s) who performed the analyses;
  - e. The analytical techniques or methods used; and
  - f. The results of such analyses.
- 2. Except for records of monitoring information required by this permit related to the permittee's sewage sludge use and disposal activities, which shall be retained for a period of at least five years, the permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records and all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit, for a period of at least 3 years from the date of the sample, measurement, report or application. This period of retention shall be extended automatically during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding the regulated activity or regarding control standards applicable to the permittee, or as requested by the Board.

#### C. Reporting Monitoring Results

 The permittee shall submit the results of the monitoring required by this permit not later than the 10th day of the month after monitoring takes place, unless another reporting schedule is specified elsewhere in this permit. Monitoring results shall be submitted to:

DEQ - Piedmont Regional Office 4949-A Cox Road Glen Allen, VA 23060

- 2. Monitoring results shall be reported on a Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) or on forms provided, approved, or specified by the Department.
- 3. If the permittee monitors any pollutant specifically addressed by this permit more frequently than required by this permit using test procedures approved under Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations Part 136 or using other test procedures approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or using procedures specified in this permit, the results of this monitoring shall be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the DMR or reporting form specified by the Department.
- 4. Calculations for all limits which require averaging of measurements shall utilize an arithmetic mean unless otherwise specified in this permit.

## D. <u>Duty to Provide Information</u>

The permittee shall furnish to the Department, within a reasonable time, any information which

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the Board may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this permit or to determine compliance with this permit. The Board may require the permittee to furnish, upon request, such plans, specifications, and other pertinent information as may be necessary to determine the effect of the wastes from his discharge on the quality of state waters, or such other information as may be necessary to accomplish the purposes of the State Water Control Law. The permittee shall also furnish to the Department upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit.

#### E. Compliance Schedule Reports

Reports of compliance or noncompliance with, or any progress reports on, interim and final requirements contained in any compliance schedule of this permit shall be submitted no later than 14 days following each schedule date.

## F. Unauthorized Discharges

Except in compliance with this permit, or another permit issued by the Board, it shall be unlawful for any person to:

- 1. Discharge into state waters sewage, industrial wastes, other wastes, or any noxious or deleterious substances: or
- 2. Otherwise alter the physical, chemical or biological properties of such state waters and make them detrimental to the public health, or to animal or aquatic life, or to the use of such waters for domestic or industrial consumption, or for recreation, or for other uses.

#### G. Reports of Unauthorized Discharges.

Any permittee who discharges or causes or allows a discharge of sewage, industrial waste, other wastes or any noxious or deleterious substance into or upon state waters in violation of Part II F 1; or who discharges or causes or allows a discharge that may reasonably be expected to enter state waters in violation of Part II F 1, shall notify the Department of the discharge immediately upon discovery of the discharge, but in no case later than 24 hours after said discovery. A written report of the unauthorized discharge shall be submitted to the Department, within five days of discovery of the discharge. The written report shall contain:

- 1. A description of the nature and location of the discharge;
- 2. The cause of the discharge;
- 3. The date on which the discharge occurred;
- 4. The length of time that the discharge continued:
- 5. The volume of the discharge;
- 6. If the discharge is continuing, how long it is expected to continue;
- 7. If the discharge is continuing, what the expected total volume of the discharge will be; and
- 8. Any steps planned or taken to reduce, eliminate and prevent a recurrence of the present discharge or any future discharges not authorized by this permit. Discharges reportable to the Department under the immediate reporting requirements of other regulations are exempted from this requirement.

#### H. Reports of Unusual or Extraordinary Discharges

If any unusual or extraordinary discharge including a bypass or upset should occur from a treatment works and the discharge enters or could be expected to enter state waters, the permittee shall promptly notify, in no case later than 24 hours, the Department by telephone after the discovery of the discharge. This notification shall provide all available details of the incident, including any adverse affects on aquatic life and the known number of fish killed. The permittee shall reduce the report to writing and shall submit it to the Department within five days of discovery of the discharge in accordance with Part II I 2. Unusual and extraordinary discharges

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include but are not limited to any discharge resulting from:

- 1. Unusual spillage of materials resulting directly or indirectly from processing operations;
- 2. Breakdown of processing or accessory equipment;
- 3. Failure or taking out of service some or all of the treatment works; and
- 4. Flooding or other acts of nature.

#### I. Reports of Noncompliance

The permittee shall report any noncompliance which may adversely affect state waters or may endanger public health.

- 1. An oral report shall be provided within 24 hours from the time the permittee becomes aware of the circumstances. The following shall be included as information which shall be reported within 24 hours under this paragraph:
  - a. Any unanticipated bypass; and
  - b. Any upset which causes a discharge to surface waters.
- 2. A written report shall be submitted within 5 days and shall contain:
  - a. A description of the noncompliance and its cause;
  - b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times, and if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and
  - c. Steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance.

The Board may waive the written report on a case-by-case basis for reports of noncompliance under Part II I. if the oral report has been received within 24 hours and no adverse impact on state waters has been reported.

3. The permittee shall report all instances of noncompliance not reported under Parts II I.1 or 2, in writing, at the time the next monitoring reports are submitted. The reports shall contain the information listed in Part II I.2.

NOTE: The immediate (within 24 hours) reports required in Parts II G, H and I may be made to the Department's Regional Office at (804) 527-5020 or fax (804) 527-5106. For reports outside normal working hours, leave a message and this shall fulfill the immediate reporting requirement. For emergencies, the Virginia Department of Emergency Services maintains a 24 hour telephone service at 1-800-468-8892.

#### J. Notice of Planned Changes

- 1. The permittee shall give notice to the Department as soon as possible of any planned physical alterations or additions to the permitted facility. Notice is required only when:
  - a. The permittee plans alteration or addition to any building, structure, facility, or installation from which there is or may be a discharge of pollutants, the construction of which commenced:
    - (1) After promulgation of standards of performance under Section 306 of Clean Water Act which are applicable to such source; or
    - (2) After proposal of standards of performance in accordance with Section 306 of Clean Water Act which are applicable to such source, but only if the standards are promulgated in accordance with Section 306 within 120 days of their proposal;
  - The alteration or addition could significantly change the nature or increase the quantity of pollutants discharged. This notification applies to pollutants which are subject neither to effluent limitations nor to notification requirements specified elsewhere in this permit; or

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- c. The alteration or addition results in a significant change in the permittee's sludge use or disposal practices, and such alteration, addition, or change may justify the application of permit conditions that are different from or absent in the existing permit, including notification of additional use or disposal sites not reported during the permit application process or not reported pursuant to an approved land application plan.
- 2. The permittee shall give advance notice to the Department of any planned changes in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit requirements.

#### K. Signatory Requirements

- 1. Applications. All permit applications shall be signed as follows:
  - a. For a corporation: by a responsible corporate officer. For the purpose of this section, a responsible corporate officer means: (i) A president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy- or decision-making functions for the corporation, or (ii) the manager of one or more manufacturing, production, or operating facilities, provided the manager is authorized to make management decisions which govern the operation of the regulated facility including having the explicit or implicit duty of making major capital investment recommendations, and initiating and directing other comprehensive measures to assure long term environmental compliance with environmental laws and regulation; the manager can ensure that the necessary systems are established or actions taken to gather complete and accurate information for permit application requirements; and where authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures;
  - b. For a partnership or sole proprietorship: by a general partner or the proprietor, respectively; or
  - c. For a municipality, state, federal, or other public agency: By either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official. For purposes of this section, a principal executive officer of a federal agency includes: (i) The chief executive officer of the agency, or (ii) a senior executive officer having responsibility for the overall operations of a principal geographic unit of the agency.
- 2. Reports, etc. All reports required by permits, and other information requested by the Board shall be signed by a person described in Part II K 1, or by a duly authorized representative of that person. A person is a duly authorized representative only if:
  - a. The authorization is made in writing by a person described in Part II K 1;
  - b. The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility or activity such as the position of plant manager, operator of a well or a well field, superintendent, position of equivalent responsibility, or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters for the company. (A duly authorized representative may thus be either a named individual or any individual occupying a named position.); and
  - c. The written authorization is submitted to the Department.
- 3. Changes to authorization. If an authorization under Part II K 2 is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility, a new authorization satisfying the requirements of Part II K 2 shall be submitted to the Department prior to or together with any reports, or information to be signed by an authorized representative.

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4. Certification. Any person signing a document under Parts II K 1 or 2 shall make the following certification:

"I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

#### L. Duty to Comply

The permittee shall comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of the State Water Control Law and the Clean Water Act, except that noncompliance with certain provisions of this permit may constitute a violation of the State Water Control Law but not the Clean Water Act. Permit noncompliance is grounds for enforcement action; for permit termination, revocation and reissuance, or modification; or denial of a permit renewal application.

The permittee shall comply with effluent standards or prohibitions established under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act for toxic pollutants and with standards for sewage sludge use or disposal established under Section 405(d) of the Clean Water Act within the time provided in the regulations that establish these standards or prohibitions or standards for sewage sludge use or disposal, even if this permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement.

#### M. Duty to Reapply

If the permittee wishes to continue an activity regulated by this permit after the expiration date of this permit, the permittee shall apply for and obtain a new permit. All permittees with a currently effective permit shall submit a new application at least 180 days before the expiration date of the existing permit, unless permission for a later date has been granted by the Board. The Board shall not grant permission for applications to be submitted later than the expiration date of the existing permit.

#### N. Effect of a Permit

This permit does not convey any property rights in either real or personal property or any exclusive privileges, nor does it authorize any injury to private property or invasion of personal rights, or any infringement of federal, state or local law or regulations.

#### O. State Law

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action under, or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties established pursuant to any other state law or regulation or under authority preserved by Section 510 of the Clean Water Act. Except as provided in permit conditions on "bypassing" (Part II U), and "upset" (Part II V) nothing in this permit shall be construed to relieve the permittee from civil and criminal penalties for noncompliance.

#### P. Oil and Hazardous Substance Liability

Nothing in this permit shall be construed to preclude the institution of any legal action or relieve the permittee from any responsibilities, liabilities, or penalties to which the permittee is or may be subject under Sections 62.1-44.34:14 through 62.1-44.34:23 of the State Water Control Law.

#### Q. Proper Operation and Maintenance

The permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) which are installed or used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit. Proper operation and maintenance also includes effective plant performance, adequate funding, adequate licensed operator staffing, and adequate laboratory and process controls, including appropriate quality assurance procedures. This provision requires the operation of back-up or auxiliary facilities or similar systems which are installed by the permittee only when the operation is necessary to achieve compliance with the

conditions of this permit.

#### R. Disposal of Solids or Sludges

Solids, sludges or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or management of pollutants shall be disposed of in a manner so as to prevent any pollutant from such materials from entering state waters.

#### S. <u>Duty to Mitigate</u>

The permittee shall take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge or sludge use or disposal in violation of this permit which has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment.

## T. Need to Halt or Reduce Activity Not a Defense

It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of this permit.

#### U. Bypass

 "Bypass" means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility. The permittee may allow any bypass to occur which does not cause effluent limits to be exceeded, but only if it also is for essential maintenance to assure efficient operation. These bypasses are not subject to the provisions of Parts II U 2 and U 3.

#### 2. Notice

- a. Anticipated bypass. If the permittee knows in advance of the need for a bypass, prior notice shall be submitted, if possible at least ten days before the date of the bypass.
- b. Unanticipated bypass. The permittee shall submit notice of an unanticipated bypass as required in Part II I.

#### 3. Prohibition of bypass.

- a. Bypass is prohibited, and the Board may take enforcement action against a permittee for bypass, unless:
  - (1) Bypass was unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage;
  - (2) There were no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, or maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime. This condition is not satisfied if adequate back-up equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventive maintenance; and
  - (3) The permittee submitted notices as required under Part II U 2.
- b. The Board may approve an anticipated bypass, after considering its adverse effects, if the Board determines that it will meet the three conditions listed above in Part II U 3 a.

## V. Upset

- An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with technology based permit effluent limits if the requirements of Part II V 2 are met. A determination made during administrative review of claims that noncompliance was caused by upset, and before an action for noncompliance, is not a final administrative action subject to judicial review.
- 2. A permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset shall demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs, or other relevant evidence that:

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- a. An upset occurred and that the permittee can identify the cause(s) of the upset;
- b. The permitted facility was at the time being properly operated; and
- c. The permittee submitted notice of the upset as required in Part II I 2.
- The permittee complied with any remedial measures required under Part II S.
- 3. In any enforcement proceeding the permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

#### W. Inspection and Entry

The permittee shall allow the Director, or an authorized representative, upon presentation of credentials and other documents as may be required by law, to:

- 1. Enter upon the permittee's premises where a regulated facility or activity is located or conducted, or where records must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- 2. Have access to and copy, at reasonable times, any records that must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
- 3. Inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and
- 4. Sample or monitor at reasonable times, for the purposes of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by the Clean Water Act and the State Water Control Law, any substances or parameters at any location.

For purposes of this section, the time for inspection shall be deemed reasonable during regular business hours, and whenever the facility is discharging. Nothing contained herein shall make an inspection time unreasonable during an emergency.

#### X. Permit Actions

Permits may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition.

#### Y. Transfer of Permits

- Permits are not transferable to any person except after notice to the Department. Except
  as provided in Part II Y 2, a permit may be transferred by the permittee to a new owner or
  operator only if the permit has been modified or revoked and reissued, or a minor
  modification made, to identify the new permittee and incorporate such other requirements
  as may be necessary under the State Water Control Law and the Clean Water Act.
- 2. As an alternative to transfers under Part II Y 1, this permit may be automatically transferred to a new permittee if:
  - The current permittee notifies the Department at least 30 days in advance of the proposed transfer of the title to the facility or property;
  - b. The notice includes a written agreement between the existing and new permittees containing a specific date for transfer of permit responsibility, coverage, and liability between them; and
  - c. The Board does not notify the existing permittee and the proposed new permittee of its intent to modify or revoke and reissue the permit. If this notice is not received, the transfer is effective on the date specified in the agreement mentioned in Part II Y 2 b.

### Z. Severability

The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit or the application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit, shall not be affected thereby.